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OFFSHORE ISLANDS

I. Situation very quiet past three weeks.

- A. Sporadic shelling of Ichiang and Quemoys continues; Communist planes still patrol over Tachens.
- B. Attacks now difficult due poor weather, but still possible.

II. Peiping continues build for future operations against islands and Formosa.

- A. Roads in Fukien being improved.
- B. About 1,000 junks in Canton area refitted, painted black: may be used to train crews in amphibious operations.